IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Docket No. 08-537-US4)

In the Application of:)
David A. Brown) Examiner: Kristie D Shingle:
Serial No.: 09/886,659) Art Unit: 2141
Filed: June 21, 2001) Confirmation No.: 4746
Title: Method and Apparatus for Logically)
Expanding the Length of a Search Key)

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RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 02, 2009

Dear Sir:

Please consider the following **REMARKS** in response to the Final Office Action mailed on October 02, 2009 in the above-captioned application.

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